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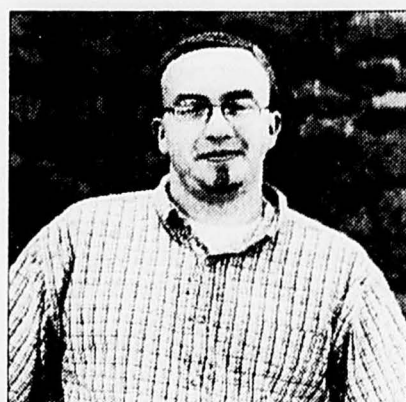
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ASEWU election  
results--see page 3.

## First tie in ASEWU election history



"It was very interesting to be involved in such a rare occurrence."

**Ryan Kroum**  
ASEWU Candidate

John Lichorobiec  
Easterner Reporter

For the first time in the ASEWU elections, there was a tie for Position 7, Student Services. Both incumbent Ryan Kroum, and upstart Kim Wise, each received 437 votes, in the ASEWU general elections held last Thursday.

"I was really surprised because the odds of [the tie] happening are astronomical," said Matt Goodwin, director of elections.

Wise, who had a slim 21-vote lead going into the general election, contributes Kroum closing the gap to her difficult school schedule which would not allow for her to campaign as much as she would have liked. Wise also thought Kroum didn't pass out campaign materials until late in the race,

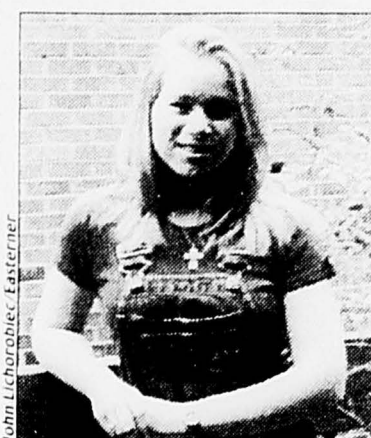
and the late push helped him as well.

"I was quite surprised because the chances of a tie are so slim," Wise said. So slim in fact, the odds of a tie are too high to calculate on most scientific calculators.

Kroum attributed his comeback from the primary elections to his networking abilities with his co-workers, friends and fellow students, who Kroum encouraged to vote.

"I was very surprised, astounded and amazed," Kroum said, when asked about the tie. "It was very interesting to be involved in such a rare occurrence."

The special run-off election between Kroum and Wise, will take place on March 2. Absentee ballots for the election can be picked up at the AS office, Spokane Center campus, and Riverpoint, starting Monday, Feb. 28.



"I was quite surprised because the chances of a tie are so slim."

**Kim Wise**  
ASEWU Candidate

## Tom Showalter turns 52 on Friday



Maggie Miller/Easterner

▲ Student Life editor Steven Barry interviews Tom Showalter, owner of Showie's. Showalter is offering 50 cent beers this Friday to celebrate his 52nd birthday.

Steven J. Barry  
Student Life Editor

Tom Showalter, Cheney native and owner of Showie's bar, will celebrate his 52nd birthday on Friday with 50 cent beers and a live appearance from the band 'Delbert.'

Showalter, like most members of his family, has spent the vast majority of his life in Cheney, with a few exceptions.

Showalter spent some time in Reno, Nev., earning his master's degree in home economics, with a focus on management finance. After earning his master's degree, Showalter worked as a graduate assistant in Reno advising convicts on basic financial skills such as balancing a checkbook, paying bills on time and acquiring proper insurance.

He also served three years in the Army operating Stinger missiles, which led him to Ft. Carson, Ka. and the Demilitarized Zone on the border of North and South Korea.

After returning to the Spokane area, Showalter helped families set up their bud-

gets as a consumer counselor.

He also worked for EWU managing a program called Spokane Business Incubator, which helped small businesses grow from concepts to reality. Showalter saw many success stories, especially in Tech Group, a company that provides hospitals short of workers with qualified medical technicians. TechGroup turned into a multi-million dollar company.

Showalter also worked as a member of the Cheney City Council from 1972-1974, and recently worked as a member of the University Alcohol Task Force, which implemented newly-imposed university alcohol policies.

Showalter said he believes students should drink to be social, not to get drunk.

"Some students tend to want to get drunk. The intent seems to be to get all screwed up, not to drink socially," said Showalter. "There has to be a recognition among students that drinking is a social thing."

Showalter hatched his idea to open Showie's while socializing at a bar in 1972.

"Like lots of other people, I sat on one side of the bar and thought I could do a better job than the one on the other side," said Showalter.

Showalter also said he always thinks he can keep doing better. "Everyone thinks they can do better. If you think you've got something 100 percent right, there's something lacking," said Showalter.

Showalter says the continuing popularity of his establishment can be attributed to his love for students.

"We like students. I love students," said Showalter. "Students are good people. We are very student friendly; we hire students. We treat them fairly."

Showalter also emphasized the fact that he has little tolerance for minors attempting to get in to the bar after hours.

"If you've got a bad ID or you're underage, don't come here," said Showalter. "Come here if you're ready to act like an adult."

Showalter is married and has two children, Kevin and Todd. Both are EWU graduates. Showalter said he plans to continue managing Showie's and retire in Cheney.

## Eastern's Spokane Center up for bid?

President Stephen Jordan sent a copy of this letter to every faculty and staff member via e-mail.

To the Campus Community:

Eastern Washington University has been exploring the possibility of selling or trading the Spokane Center and obtaining the Riverpoint One office building, which is contiguous to the Riverpoint campus.

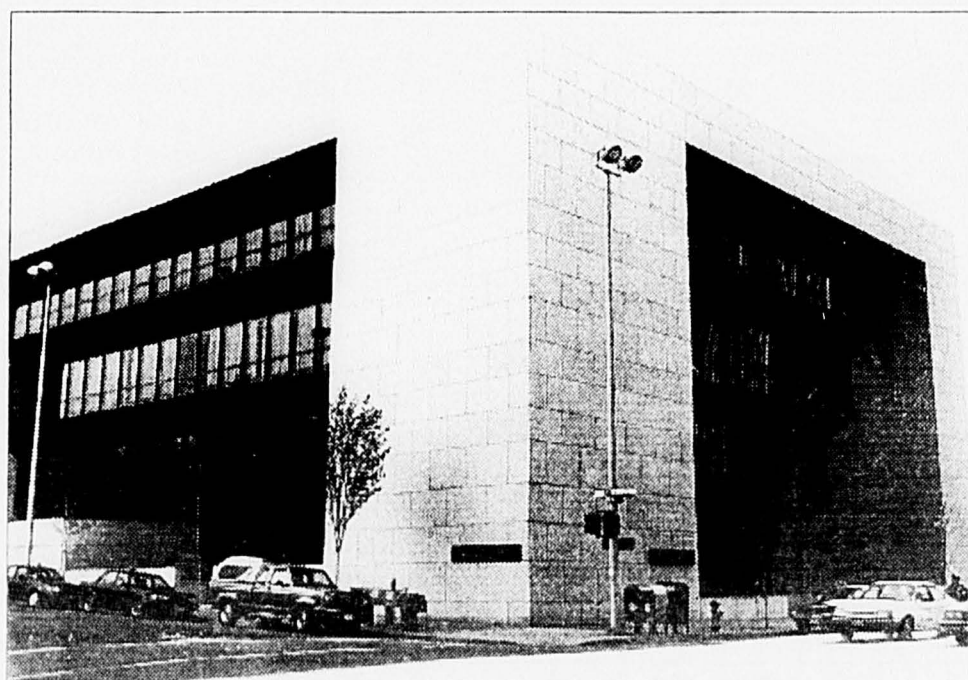
This transfer of property would be of great benefit to Eastern and our students. By co-locating all higher education programs at the Riverpoint campus, we not only would improve facilities but we also would be better able to develop our student centered learning environment and further expand opportunities for partnerships

with WSU. Although part of the Riverpoint campus, this building would be owned by Eastern and be clearly identified as Eastern Washington University.

Although we have not reached an agreement with the seller and buyer of these properties, we have drafted language for the State's supplemental capital budget to provide a contingent authority should we reach agreement on the real estate transaction.

I wanted to make you aware of this developing issue before details start to become public.

Stephen M. Jordan



▲ Eastern might be considering a trade of the EWU downtown center to WSU for full access to the Riverpoint Center. How would this affect students taking classes downtown? Would the STA be willing to provide a bus route straight through to the Riverpoint Center? How would the extra commute impact travel time? Students with concerns on this matter are welcome to write letters to the editor for an opinion forum in next week's issue. See the opinion page for Easterner letter policies.



## EWU chooses new provost

Peter A. Dual has accepted the position of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Washington University, effective April 1. Dual will also serve as a full professor.

Dual, 54, Executive Associate for Academic Affairs and Leadership Development at California State Polytechnic University-Pomona, was chosen from among three finalists nationally for the position.

"I believe he brings the right balance to our university," said President Stephen Jordan, in making the announcement. "He is articulate, has significant experience as an academic administrator and has shown great capacity in building programs. We are very pleased he will be joining us."

In his 30-plus years in education, Dual helped guide higher education institutions through some challenging times. These times include major budget cuts, transitioning from a college to a university, establishing the first and only graduate school of public health in the California State University system and establishing college-based governance in partnership with a newly developed faculty association.

While Dean of the College of Health & Human Services at San Diego State University, he was able to increase research, contract and grant activity from \$500,000 in 1983 to \$17 million in 1993. He has been responsible for budgets ranging from \$3 million to \$60 million and has lectured, worked and traveled extensively in Japan, China, Taiwan, Zimbabwe, Tanzania and Kenya.

"I have been blessed with national and international experience in education, health care and social policy that enabled me to make a difference in the lives of people," Dual said. "President Jordan and the EWU faculty and staff are a committed learning community focused on improving the quality of life and the standard of living for all in the region. I will be dedicated to contributing the best of all of my experience to the leadership team and the Eastern Washington University community - on and off the campus."

Dual's research interests include the role universities play in the health of communities, quality of life determinants for students and faculty and their families on

campus and policy formation, health behavior and the interests of under-served populations.

He is currently a tenured professor in the health profession and has held appointments in public health, health administration and policy, health behavior and health education. In addition to his administrative position, he is a Professor of Kinesiology and Health Promotion with a joint appointment in the School of Education and Integrative Studies at CSPU.

He is currently developing a teaching and applied research program on community approaches to eliminate disparities in health concerning ethnicity, race, culture and health.

Dual holds a post-doctoral Master of Public Health from the University of Texas School of Public Health (1975); a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from Michigan State University (1973); an M.A. in

Teacher Education and Supervision from Western Michigan University (1971); and a B.S. in Sociology from Western Michigan University (1969).

He has received Distinguished Alumnus awards from Lake Michigan Community College and the College of Education at Michigan State University.

Dual, who will receive an annual salary of \$125,000 at Eastern Washington University, replaces Niel Zimmerman, who is retiring in March.

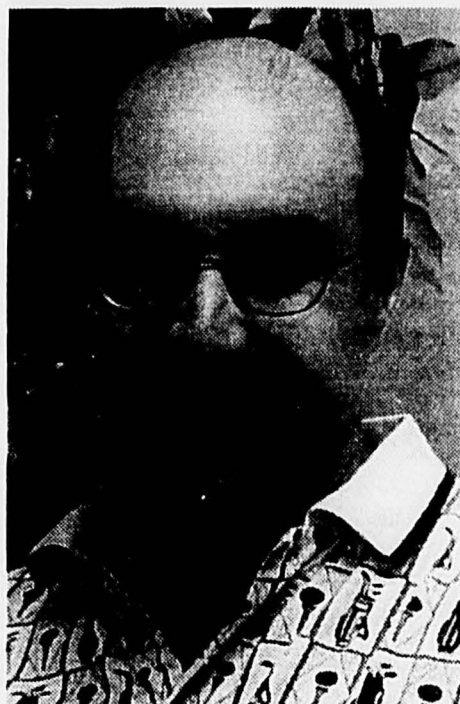
Zimmerman, a professor of government with a specialty in public law, served in various leadership capacities at Eastern since joining the faculty in 1970. Named Provost in 1997, he served as Acting President for several months in 1998. In addition to overseeing the academic mission of the university, he chaired Eastern's 10-year reaccreditation review.

"Niel Zimmerman provided me good counsel in my first 18 months as Eastern's President and has made many valuable contributions to the university," said Jordan. "I join with all his colleagues in congratulating him on his admirable and successful career."

*"I have been blessed with national and international experience in education, health care and social policy that enable me to make a difference in the lives of people."*

**Peter A. Dual**  
Eastern's new Provost

## Eastern opens faculty of the year nominations



▲ Alan Coelho was Eastern's "teacher of the year" last year. He feels very honored to be recognized by his students.

Tracy Stephens  
Easterner Reporter

For the past four years Eastern Washington University has recognized the dedicated effort of its faculty by awarding the honor of "faculty of the year." Each year the university collects nominations from students who want to recognize a faculty member who has made a difference in their college life. These nominations are then reviewed, and one highly deserving faculty member is acknowledged as Eastern's "faculty of the year".

The nominations for faculty of the year are reviewed by the Faculty of the Year Committee (FYC) which is made up of six student members. This committee is responsible for narrowing down the applications to the most qualified faculty members. The applications are then passed on to the Founders Day Committee, who reviews the remaining applications and chooses the winner for "faculty of the year".

"It is very important to recognize the faculty members that are trying to make a difference so that other faculty and students can see that those who are going out of their way are being recognized, and they too will strive and go the extra mile," said FYC chair, Josh Ashcroft.

Last years "faculty of the year" was awarded to Professor Alan Coelho. Coelho received a plaque honoring his achievements, awarded on behalf of the Associated Students. He was also given the opportunity to be Grand Marshal for the homecoming parade.

"Just being nominated was one heck of an honor, but to be chosen out of a long list of worthy individuals was very special," said Coelho.

This years "faculty of the year" nominations are being accepted until March 10. Students are encouraged to pick up an application in the ASEWU office, located in PUB 303.

"To be recognized by the students is one of the highest honors that a teacher can receive," said Coelho.

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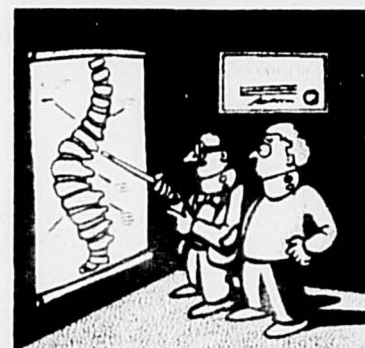
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## EWU baseball club reaches out to youth

John Lichorobiec  
Easterner Reporter

The EWU Baseball Club raised \$1000 last week when they held their 4th annual Eagle Baseball Clinic. Approximately 90 boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 15 participated in the clinic.

Players from the Eastern baseball club served as instructors to the boys, and players from the Eastern softball club instructed the girls.

"Baseball is a game of fundamentals and repetition, and this clinic is a chance to teach fundamentals one more time," said Eastern baseball club coach Mike Campitelli.

Of the 90 participants in the clinic, 70 were boys and 20 were girls. The fee charged for the clinic was \$25 per person, and each youth was provided with lunch and a t-shirt for their participation.

The clinic raised close to \$1000 after expenses for the baseball club and ap-

proximately \$300 for the softball club for their participation in the event.

The biggest surprise according to Campitelli was the walk-up participation for the clinic. Last year's clinic had 36 participants and only raised \$600. Campitelli was planning for between 60 to 70 youth, so the additional 20 youngsters were a pleasant surprise for him.

"I think this baseball camp not only benefits the kids, but it also puts Eastern's name out in the community," said baseball club member Ryan Stevens.

The only real drawback to the clinic was that "the baseball camp was good for the guys, but not fundamentally organized for the girls," said softball club vice president Kelsy Parish. That will change this Sunday, as the softball club will host their own clinic at the field house for 60 area softball players.

The money raised from this clinic will come in handy for the baseball club which starts their season March 4, in Lewiston, Idaho, in a tournament hosted by the University of Idaho's baseball club.

## Eastern's unofficial AS election results

### President

Bree Holsing	736
Deb Jones	238
Other	7

### Public Relations

Kelly Murray	420
Ken Anderson	412
Other	2

### Executive Vice President

Heather Ann Ruley	522
Kyle Hash	422
Other	6

### Student Activities

Alison Simmers	500
Chuck Green	325
Other	9

### Finance Vice President

Stephanie Reed	520
Tony Curtis	407
Other	2

### Student Health Services

Heather Harris	541
Kim Wolfley	286
Other	6

### Academic Affairs

Christian Shook	526
Isaac O'Bannan	365
Other	6

### Student Services

Ryan Kroum	437
Kim Wise	437
Other	8

### Athletic Affairs

Daniel Clark	668
Dennis Hoover	187
Other	8

### Transportation/Safety

Brad Pugh	529
Jayson Huntley	249
Other	7

### Legislative Affairs

Dee Dee Keys	430
Shane Hart	410
Other	3

### University Advancement

Renon Losse	414
Brandon Schinzel	393
Other	5

## Half of students admit to cheating

Lauren Wiener  
Daily Northwestern

In the arena of academic dishonesty, colleges and universities nationwide are facing a discrepancy between policy and practice.

Half of all college students admit to having cheated at least once during their undergraduate careers, according to a recent survey conducted by Ball State University in Muncie, Ind. Cheating occurs despite outlined academic integrity policies.

To address the issue, Pennsylvania State University is designing a new academic


integrity policy.

"We had a long-standing policy that was very elaborate," said John Cahir, vice provost and dean for undergraduate education at Penn State. "We became dissatisfied with it because we detected widespread sentiment that it was too complex and bureaucratic."

The new policy will allow the faculty to make the final determinations regarding consequences of cheating.

"By having the primary agents as professors, it becomes a teaching/learning situation," Cahir said. "It becomes a more positive experience for the student, one they can learn from."

# Delbert at Showies



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# Delbert drummers dazzle D Zone

Adrian Workman  
Easterner Reporter

When I saw Delbert perform, they were opening for the Civilized Animals at the D Zone, a small venue located in the basement of the Northtown Mall.

To their credit, being an opening band is tough: The people you are playing for aren't there to hear you play. At larger venues, most of the people sit down and smoke pot. Some are booed off the stage.

Opening and trying to get people on their feet is about the hardest thing to do, and I have only seen one band do it. That was L7. Sometimes, audience response is so meager that even if you wanted to dance, you would feel silly doing so.

The D Zone is so tiny that if one were to shout "You Suck!" at the band, they would probably have an issue with you outside in the parking lot after the show.

This was not to happen, as it was an all-ages show, and a good chunk of the people in attendance looked as if they just finished watching Goof Troop on the Disney channel. "All ages" was somewhat misleading, as most of the

people were between the ages of 10 and 14 (except the two toddlers: the most energetic Delbert dancers of the evening). This was another factor that made the evening difficult to enjoy.

One member of this "all ages" crowd kindly informed me that her friend thought I was cute, and asked me how old I was. Twenty-one earned me a look that suggested my dentures needed cleaning.

The music was alright. It was fast-paced most of the time, with occasional Sublime-ish attempts at slower, more melodic interludes. Kind of a better side of a cross between Huey Lewis and the News, and Reel Big Fish. Caught a whiff of some Sublime in there, too.

I am not sure if this happens all the time, but I could not hear what the lead singer's lyrics were, ever. I could hear his voice, and I recall being unimpressed, but I was frustrated at not being able to hear what any of his songs were about.

Delbert is the first band I have seen that employs two drummers. During one song, they engaged in a dogfight of soloing, trading off fills like gangsters exchanging fully-automatic gunfire. It was absolutely exhilarating, and worth paying any cover to see.



▲ Delbert will play Friday night at Showies in celebration of Tom Showalter's birthday.

They had a few horns going on, a guitarist, the bassist was plucking a standup double bass, and the vocalist played guitar for a couple of songs as well.

Delbert will be playing at Showies on

Friday night for Tom Showalter's 52<sup>nd</sup> birthday celebration. You will not have to worry about tripping over the little ones while stomping around in the pit, and will definitely not be hit on by any 14-year-olds.

# Wine Field plays well for slim pickings

Adrian Workman  
Easterner Reporter

The Boston-based alternative band Wine Field performed Wednesday in the Pum multipurpose room, and appeared a relatively small audience of 22.

The two members of the band who were there played an acoustic set, a cozy set to an understatedly cozy crowd.

They loved interacting with the audience.

They paused between two songs to tell the audience about how they had discovered a female motorist buried in a snowdrift in their hometown of Portland, Maine.

One of the Backstreet Boys present belted, "Was she naked?" He was the only member of the audience they did not interact with.

They have a few songs that are given repeated airings on the television shows

Dawson's Creek and Party of Five. I have not seen either show, but these musicians are too good for TV.

Masters of complex vocals, the duo gracefully navigated through perfect crescendos and diminuendos without one mistake. They had tremendous, professional control over their voices, even when they sang higher notes, thus eliciting an audience perception of repetitive perfection.

The guitar riffs were unique, energetic, and seemed to dance from one side of your head to the other.

The highlight of the evening for me was their cover of Bob Dylan's "All Along the Watchtower." It was a little bit of Bob, a little bit of Jimi, and all in the Wine Field. It was superb.

When Wine Field comes to Spokane this April, they will be playing as a full band. Be sure to check them out. Their Web site is [www.winefield.com](http://www.winefield.com).



▲ Wine Field performed to a small but appreciative audience in the PUB on Wednesday.

# Stella's gone 'Bare'

Allan Moody  
Editor

Fans of Stella Katsoudas and Sister Soleil will do a double-take the first time they hear the yet-to-be-released CD, "Bare." The album, intended for friends, family and fan club members, is a collection of six songs recorded "unplugged," including the previously unreleased, "My Man Joe."

The acoustic release is something Katsoudas had been contemplating for over a year, and it's obvious after a listen that she made the correct decision to release it.

Katsoudas has an astounding vocal range that is sometimes easy to overlook when listening to Sister Soleil's earlier recordings. It's in this acoustic setting, however, that you realize what an incredible talent she really is.

To hear a sample of "Red" or for more information on obtaining the CD, surf to Sister Soleil's new website, [www.ssfans.com](http://www.ssfans.com).

Fans of the more traditional Sister Soleil sound also have something to look forward to, the band's upcoming CD, tentatively titled, "Yummy." The CD is scheduled to be released later this year, and early indications are that it will be just as good, if not better, than Soularium.

Long time readers of the Easterner know that Sister Soleil is undoubtedly my favorite band and Katsoudas is certainly my favorite singer. Just give any of their recordings a listen and you'll know why.



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# 'Angela's Ashes' a gray walk through a dark life

Roger Robert  
Easterner Reporter

"Worse than the ordinary miserable childhood is the miserable Irish childhood, worse yet is the miserable Irish Catholic childhood." So begins the movie "Angela's Ashes," based on the autobiographical book by Frank McCourt. Laura Jones and Alan Parker were the screenwriters and Parker also directs this movie. Parker has directed other films such as "Angel Heart," "Evita," "The Commitments," and "Pink Floyd: The Wall."

This is not a "feel good" movie. It is about an impoverished Irish family that can't make it in 1930's America (not many could), so they head back to the mother (Angela's) home of Limerick in Ireland. Yeah, like that's going to be any better. Three stages are shown in McCourt's young life. When he is five, ten, and going on sixteen. It is a good thing you only have to deal with his life in five year increments, because any more, and you wouldn't be able to take it all in.

The camera leaves the audience feeling melancholy all through this depressing film. It

rains repeatedly—so much so, that I found myself wishing that I lived back in Seattle. It is dark, dank, and overwhelmingly gray. The only thing that shined in this movie was the performances of the actors. You should remember Robert Carlyle (who plays the father, M a l a c h y McCourt) from his role in "The Full Monty."

Carlyle is seemingly typecast as an underemployed binge drinking ne'er-do-well, a role he puts to believably good use. In this case, however, he deals with discrimination based on ethnicity, class and religion (Mccourt is a Protestant from Belfast). It brings to the forefront the crushing blow that discrimination does to the individual and the family. It would be easy for us to judge this man—a man who can't hold a job; who drinks up his pay when



▲ "Angela's Ashes" gives moviegoers a realistic look at the life of an Irish-American family in the 1930's.

he does work; and who doesn't seem to want to take responsibility in his life. It would be easy for us to judge—if we weren't faced with the same extremes of treatment that face any oppressed person. I kept waiting for this character to rob a bank or deal in illegal substances or something like that. This character's spirit is continually crushed throughout most of the movie, something he never recovers from.

Award-winning Emily

Watson plays the part of Angela, the mother. Watson has had many roles that included playing opposite Daniel Day-Lewis in "The Boxer." Watson's character has to deal with horrible living conditions, depression, humiliation and the multiple loss of children to death by way of poverty. It is a surprise to me that she doesn't commit suicide in the movie.

Then again, here is a woman who is a survivor. She does what she has to so the remaining children can have something—anything to eat. She even "prostitutes" herself to a very ugly (and I don't mean by appearance only) man who takes her and the children in—"by the kindness of his heart"—after they are evicted from the hovel they were living in.

The three Franks give fine performances. Joseph Breen, new to the screen, plays the youngest

one. He shows a maturity not found in many child actors (at least not the Macaulay Culkin types), as does the older Ciaran Owens, playing the ten-year-old Frank. With all the adversity surrounding this family, I think that it is a miracle that Frank ever made it back to America and to later want to revisit his experiences in a book. The sixteen-year-old Frank, played by Michael Legge, makes the final realization of the importance of an education—something an influential instructor tells him is not to be found in the land of Limerick, but only in America. This is the only time I remember hearing a positive statement about the U.S. So the movie brings us back to where it all starts, the Statue of Liberty. Well, maybe liberty for some.

With its realistic portrayal of poverty and religious life of '30s and '40s Ireland, great jazz, folk, and original music, believable character portrayals, and involving storyline, "Angela's Ashes" is a must see—if not for escapist entertainment value, then for the sociological opportunity it can give the viewer. Just don't expect to feel warm and fuzzy afterwards.

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## Kids perform all summer at Theater Youth Camp

Andrea Laggart  
Easterner Reporter

What is there for children with creative minds and the desire to act to do in the Spokane area over the summer? Well, they could just play with their neighbor friends, ride bikes, and go swimming. But...why not try something different? Get your children out of the house and having fun at Eastern Washington University's Youth Theater Camp. For the past five summers Eastern has hosted a theater camp program for the youth in the surrounding area called "Stage Door to the Future." Most of the children who are involved come from the nearby air force base where they are already involved in a summer program that includes the camp. They get this privilege because the air force base funds \$25,000 a summer for their children to be able to participate. The other children from the community can get involved as well by paying a tuition fee.

The camp lasts for the entire summer and is broken into two different stages. It starts with a two-week intensive study in which the children learn about the different components of acting. They not only learn acting, but dancing, music and theater, as well as the more technical aspects of theater like lighting and makeup. The children are divided by age and ability group at the camp. There is the teen conservatory for those that



▲ At EWU's Youth Theater Camp, children have the opportunity to use their summer break to improve acting through student instruction.

are older and more experienced, the middle school group, and then there are two different elementary groups, the experienced, and the beginning. Camp lasts from 9:00-5:00 during the first two weeks, and 10:00-2:00 Monday through Thursday throughout the rest of the summer.

The camp is run by college kids who get the privilege to have a theater job over the summer, as well as members of the Civic Theater in Spokane, and members from the Interplayers among many others. It gives the children an opportunity to work with actual directors and some children even end up getting cast in plays throughout Spokane.

The second portion of the camp is dedicated to the actual

performance that is to be put on at the end of the summer. In the last five years the camp has put on, "Snow White," "Charlotte's Web," "Cecily's Window," which was written by Eastern students, "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," and "Oliver." This year they will be doing a production of "Annie," which will last from July 27 to August 7. Performances will be at 6:00 p.m.

Last year the camp was honored with the Dorothy Mullen National Arts and Humanities award for first place in class for an area of 6,000 people. Don McLaughlin, and Linda Douglas direct the camp. McLaughlin can be reached at 359-6672 for any questions concerning more information about the camp.

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# Study abroad programs provide travel opportunity

Derrick Braaten  
Easterner Reporter

Dahmar Johnson, the coordinator of most of the study abroad programs at Eastern, can help students select a school or program to attend nearly anywhere in the world. She can be contacted at the Study Abroad office in Hargreaves Hall, room 205, Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by phone at (509) 359-2442. Many programs are available for students whom can only speak English. The only limitations as to where a student can go are program availability and student safety.

As to how students pay for such trips varies. Cash is always good, but financial aid can also be used for those who qualify. Students can receive credits, provided the courses taken overseas are applicable to their major, by paying a \$150.00 fee. This fee maintains a student's EWU status, and allows the credits to transfer more smoothly

from one institution to the next. Any program ideas should be discussed with an advisor for applicability and credit totals.

One of the few programs not coordinated by Dahmar is the French Department's eighth annual summer in Paris Cultural Workshop, which runs from June 22 to July 2. Professor Alys Seifert, head of the French Department, coordinates this self-supporting program at Eastern. For a fee of \$995.00 plus airfare, students can participate in a ten-day excursion in Paris. Included in the program cost is the hotel stay at the Hotel Gramont (which serves a daily continental breakfast and is located four blocks from the Opera and six blocks from the Louvre Museum), metro passes and admission to some of the events, such as a night cruise on the Seine River.

Items not covered by the program fee of \$995.00 include airfare, admission to some activities, such as the museums and is about an additional \$70.00 for the ten days, and meals other than breakfast. Airfare generally

runs between \$800.00-\$1000.00 roundtrip, depending on the airline and other variables, and is the complete responsibility of the interested student. A deposit of \$150.00 is required by April 15, with the balance due by May 15.

Activities include a guided bus tour of Paris, a visit to Notre Dame Cathedral, Napoleon's Tomb, the Louvre Museum and other sites in Paris and the surrounding countryside. Students who wish to attend the workshop do not have to speak French, as bilingual guides are provided.

According to Professor Seifert, students who spend some time abroad can greatly expand their understanding of other cultures. Students interested in dealing with other cultures in business or international affairs are somewhat isolated on the West Coast from such interaction.

One can only learn so much about other people in the classroom.

## EWU from a foreign perspective

Jeff Thaxton  
Easterner Reporter

Going to college presents many new opportunities and challenges. This is especially true for students who come here from another country. Besides new classes and extra-curricular activities, they must also adjust to a new language and different customs in our country. I had an opportunity recently to interview Sumi Matsushita, one of EWU's foreign exchange students from Japan.

Matsushita came to Cheney as a student at the English Language Institute. There, she learned how to speak our language fluently and became a student of EWU this quarter as an economics major. Throughout her time here she has encountered many new people and experiences. She has developed many positive views of our campus as well as a few negative ones. For instance, she said she likes the fact that our university is smaller than the one she attended in Japan. She said this gives her the opportunity to get to know more people and make new friends.

She wishes, though, that Cheney was a little bigger.

"It's small and you can't go anywhere without a car," she said.

When asked what she misses most about home she said, "I miss Japanese food, my parents and friends, and my dog."

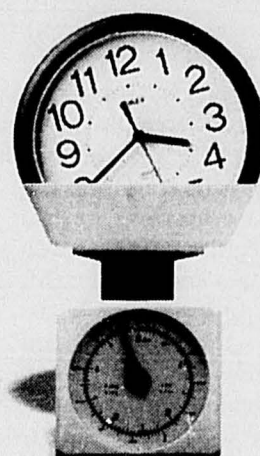
One negative view she has discovered is the feeling that people are ruder in America in general. "It depends on the person though," she added.



▲ Sumi Matsushita is one of the many students attending EWU from Japan in the Asia University America Program.

Matsushita has also lived in a number of other places, including California and Brazil, her two favorites. She plans to return to Japan after this quarter to graduate from her university. Then she hopes to return to the United States to pursue a master's degree. "I might go to New York State," she says.

Matsushita and other foreign exchange students experience a lot of new things in America. They have additional stresses here but enjoyable times as well.



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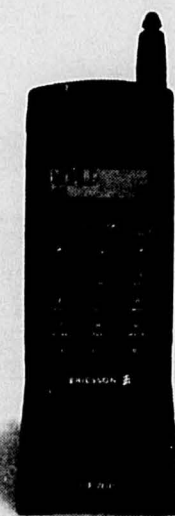
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## Strange Days Indeed

by Darren Beal

### Pub Board 4, First Amendment 1

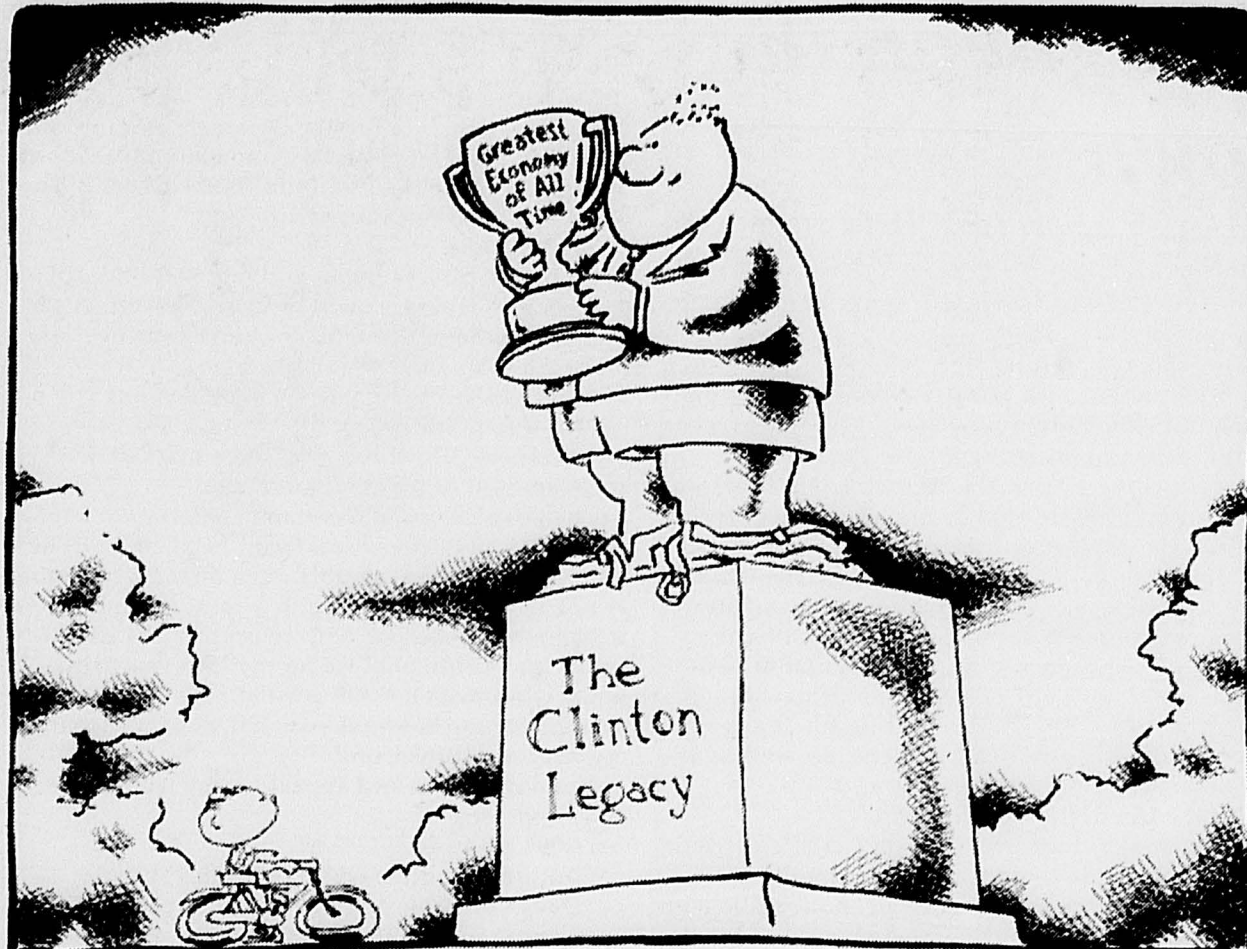
Friday last, I found myself at what is known as a meeting of the Pub Board, also known as the board of student publications. In question was an ad in the Jan. 27 issue of *The Easterner* which challenged certain statements published by Holocaust survivor and expert Elie Wiesel. The details of the ad are not important (although I'm sure they are to the ad's author, Bradley R. Smith).

What is important is that the Pub Board, represented Friday by one faculty member, one administrative member and three student appointees, decided, after 45 minutes of discussion, to impose on *The Easterner* a set of 'guidelines' — not yet formulated — to prevent the publication of another such ad.

While the content of said ad is not only objectionable, even morally repugnant, to all at an institution of higher learning, that should never be the basis for prior restraint, which will be the de facto result of any set of 'guidelines' regarding what *The Easterner* can include in its pages as an advertisement.

One argument in favor of ad guidelines goes like this: A publication is not legally obligated to print any ad whatsoever, so long as it can justify not printing it. Specifically, the media can beg off the publication of any ad which is libelous (which the Holocaust ad was not) or which can be shown to be 'false advertising.'

And therein lies the rub. The Holocaust ad could possibly be shown to be advertising something less than the truth if someone, somewhere (perhaps on the Pub Board?) had the time, resources and wherewithal to see if the ad's claims about Elie Wiesel could be proved or disproved.



This seems a doubtful proposition, at best. Wiesel is an internationally renowned writer and lecturer on matters pertaining to the Holocaust. It is likely that Mr. Smith's ads are, at best, a distortion of the truth. As are most — and this is important — controversial ads. Like the anti-abortion insert *The Easterner* ran last year.

Interestingly, there was only one board member who argued in favor of first amendment rights, and was the only member voting against the adoption of ad guidelines.

Conversely, there was another board member who seemed wholly uninterested in the Constitution (except as it pertained to her freedom of speech). She was, however, highly interested in finding out what *The Easterner's* staff political leanings were. Even after being directed at least twice by the board chairman to save her remarks for a more appropriate point in the meeting, she still managed to ask the entire Eastern staff if any of us were of Jewish heritage.

Copy editor Dave Humphreys volunteered that he was. So did the one board member voting against the adoption of the guidelines.

But none of us, board members, *Easterner* staffers or the two students who attended the meeting, should have to answer for our beliefs in such a forum. There is a point where liberalism, in its search to protect the minority, can very easily come to oppress the very same minority it seeks to shield from persecution. And it must be remembered that none of us — liberals, conservatives or anyone in between or even outside of these loosely defined boundaries — are safe from even the most well meaning defenders of The Truth.

The vote was four to one in favor of adopting ad guidelines.

I did not disclose to the board or its one extremely politically correct member my acquaintance with a Jewish woman, now in her sixties, who hid out like Anne Frank with her mother and siblings in Amsterdam while the Nazis sent untold millions to their death in the concentration camps. To do so would have trivialized my friend's experience in the face of modern presumptions about what can and cannot be said.

Or advertised.

## Who is Bradley Smith and why are people so scared of what he has to say?

Allen Moody  
Editor

When you support the notion of free speech there will invariably be times when you have to fight for the rights of those with unpopular views. I will argue for the rights of John Rucker, Louis Farrakhan or Terry Daniels of Operation Rescue as stringently as I will my own. Now, I'm in the position of fighting for the rights of Bradley R. Smith.

Smith, created a small controversy on campus several weeks ago when we ran his ad entitled, "Holocaust Studies, Appointment with Hate?" In the ad Smith questions the claims of a concentration camp survivor, Elie Wiesel, and mentions that merely asking questions about the Holocaust will earn one a reputation as a "Nazi" or "racist."

As a result of Smith's ad, the EWU board of student publications will begin work on advertising guidelines to prevent a reoccurrence from happening. I see it as little more than another step to silence those whose opinions we don't like and find it far more offensive than anything Smith could ever say, but still remain optimistic it will be overturned next year when there are new members on the board.

Smith has become the leader of the revisionist movement in America, a group who questions the generally accepted stories of what occurred during the Holocaust. Contrary to what his detractors claim, Smith is not a "Holocaust denialist." Anyone who tells you differently is simply wrong, either by ignorance or purposeful deceit.

"Jews were persecuted by the Nazi regime and many died," Smith says. "The question isn't 'Was there a Holocaust?' there was. The question I'm asking is 'What was the Holocaust?'"

Instead of answering Smith's questions, most of his detractors have been guilty of attacking the man instead of his arguments. Therefore, it should come as no surprise that Smith's views are slowly picking up support on college campuses.

In her book, "Denying the Holocaust, The Growing Assault on Truth and Memory," Deborah Lipstadt includes a chapter entitled, "The Battle for the Campus," in which she writes, "Colleagues have related that their students' questions are increasingly informed by Holocaust denial: 'How do we know that there really were gas chambers? What proof do we have that the survivors are telling the truth? Are we going to hear the German side?'"

The best way to discredit Smith would be to answer his questions and refute his claims with solid, verifiable facts. Invite Smith to campus for debate and prove once and for all that he is entirely wrong. When questions are answered with criticisms of the questioner it gives the impression that there is something to hide.

There are no winners when steps are taken to silence unpopular opinions. The concept of free speech was designed so those in the minority would have the same opportunity to have their voices heard as those in the majority. Anytime we start to pick and choose when the First Amendment should be applicable we devalue the rights and freedoms given to us by our Constitution.

Until last week I was under the impression that the purpose of attending college was to engage in the free exchange of ideas and opinions and to ask questions about that which we were not familiar with. Unfortunately, I've had to learn the hard way that there are those who feel the only ideas that should be exchanged are their own.

### The First Amendment

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*

**"The most dangerous form of censorship is the one that we impose on ourselves."**

Stephen Engleberg, journalist, 1998

**"You have not converted a man because you have silenced him."**

John Morley, English statesman, 1877

**"When it comes to the First Amendment in our schools, administrators don't trust it, teachers don't teach it and students don't get it."**

Paul McMasters, *The Freedom Forum*, 1999



# A night on the town

Dave Humphreys  
Copy Editor

The smokey yellow light shines dimly down upon the tables with ghostly figures casting ominous, but slow moving shadows. The rancid, sour lemon scent of nicotine filters through the air, mildly waking one of the figures from a fatigue-induced stupor. He shakes his head twice, trying to clear the cobwebs of the previous three days.

The low throaty voice of a fellow journalism student up at the karaoke machine singing "Strawberry Fields" makes him recant, requesting the silent stupor to return. With a mild crust of yellow tar on his fingers, he brings his tenth clove cigarette to his lips and inhales, filling his lungs with viscous tar and other carcinogens, as well as the perceived taste of black pepper and apple pie.

"Nope Deebee, you can't sing."

With a sigh, he turns back to his silent friend seated across the table from him. Already close to inebriated, his friend sports an alcoholic smile with a small umbrella in his hair and a half-drunk Long Island Iced Tea. In his daze, he manages to bring his head slightly closer to the table.

"Havin' fun Dave?" he asks sarcastically.

The figure takes the last drag off the cigarette, stubs it into the over-filled ash tray, and drinks up the last of his ice water with lemon juice.

He thinks to himself, "Oh yeah, I'm having fun. Now why the hell did I come here tonight?"

Then the reality of what I'm doing returns and reminds me of my purpose. I pop out another clove. Mission of mercy.

Breaking from the timeliness, I remember a time two months ago when I myself was "buzzing". Only to discover I had slight allergy to alcohol when I puked my guts up all over a parking lot. I was immobilized for a whole day after that, pumping what fluids I could into my body, usually to no avail as I gradually descended into shock. Finally I gave up and decided to allow nature to take its course, hoping God would find it in his good graces to again spare me from death.

But my friend seated across the table from me has less than the apparent nine lives God has granted me.

That's why I'm here, or at least it's another reason.

My friend finishes off the iced tea, and is guided to the bar again by a former classmate of mine. She brings back a carafe filled with an ominous amount of liquid that looks like toilet bowl cleaner. The name has good relevance here.

2000 flushes.

Empathy, pity, sadness, and regret fill my spirit as I see my friend slowly destroy himself. A girl that his brothers "brought" for him fawns over him more the more intoxicated he gets.

"I think she likes me," he stumbles out.

"No dude. She doesn't like you, she likes your drunkenness," I reply in a voice marked with a surly amount of parental authority.

The girl also brings a certain... temptation which my friend has never been faced head-on with before. A temptation which I have already resolved is not in his best interest to allow. A temptation which when sober, he will reject just as I have rejected his continual pleas for me to have a drink. A temptation, which I will for the next twenty minutes try to stop before it even has a chance to enter my friend's drunk mind.

So I cast the die and appeal for my friend put an end to this night.

"It's time to go."

"But I'm not done wi' my zhrink yet."

"Doesn't matter dude, it's time to go."

"Lemme finishhhh thish zhrink off. It'shhh really goooooood."

"Finish it off then. Let's go."

"But I gotta zhrink shome water otherwizhe I'll have a hangover."

"That's nice. Let's go."

"But I gotta shing Dafe."

"You can do that later. Let's go."

"But..."

"No buts, you're drunk. Let's go."

Finally I get him out of the bar and out into the open air, where he stumbles awkwardly down the street. We reach his house, where he falls in and gathers enough sense to drink three glasses of water.

I leave him at that and consider what I've seen. I've seen a god's eye view of what people look like when we decide to self-destruct. I've seen my friend abandon his senses in order to forget his hopeless and degenerate past. I've seen him by action recant the very things he claims to believe in. Just as I have done...so many times before.

The Christian group DC Talk wrote a song about a similar situation:

What if I stumble?  
What if I fall?  
What if I lose my step  
and make fools of us all?  
Will the love continue  
When my walk becomes a crawl?

That's why I was there. Not just to make sure my friend didn't do anything...I might regret later. But to let myself know what it's like to see someone else degenerate from man to animal. It doesn't happen just from alcohol either. Money. Sex. Power. Pride. Nicotine. Caffeine. Adrenaline.

The only way to stop it is to see it.

## Letters to the Editor

To the editor:

Do I agree with Mike? Hmm...that's a difficult question. If what Mike stands for is the kind of covert evangelism that his name is being used in, then I most definitely do not agree with Mike.

The question of agreement with this Mike character seems to be the topic of the day. The table tents are everywhere in the PUB. The chalkboards of every classroom I entered today had the question scrawled out on them. No one seems to know who Mike is, let alone if their views are similar to the point of agreement. I, in my infinite curiosity, took the liberty to see what club or organization was propagating the table tents. What I found made me angry. Chi Alpha, Baptist Student Ministries, Campus Crusade for Christ, as well as "various other Christian groups on campus," were the ones placing this question on everyone's tables, chalkboards, and minds.

I came away with more questions. If this is to raise awareness of Chi Alpha, or any other Christian group, why hide the names on the bottom? If this is to be more of a comment on a relationship with Christ, why not use a more universally known name in your question? Something like, oh I don't know Jesus!!!! What's more, why insist on putting the cryptic question in EVERY possible spot a student might look. The bright green table tents caught my eye just nicely, thank you. The chalkboard just distracted me.

Then I began to think about Christianity, and specifically evangelism. I have no problem with people being Christian. I also have no problem with people being Buddhist or Hindu or Muslim or Wicken or anything. I don't necessarily agree with evangelism, because it seems to be very close minded and egocentric to insist that someone change their beliefs to yours, when both beliefs have sufficiently equal merit, in the eyes of the respective faithful. But I don't have a problem with groups being available on campus for students to go practice their faith, or perhaps find one if they didn't have one, or change theirs for reasons of their own.

But I draw the line at tricking people to come to an evangelical meeting. It is something that happens. When I was a freshman, a group of people was quite nice to me. We played games, went and ate at Baldy's etc. They never said that they were Intervarsity, a Christian group. When I found out, I felt I had been lied to. I didn't want to be a part of what is probably a great group of Christian people because I thought I'd been tricked into it.

It doesn't stop there. Often times I see signs advertising activities like movies, pizza parties, ski-trips etc., when the name of the sponsor, in very small writing in an inconspicuous place reads: Baptist Student Ministries, or Chi Alpha, or Intervarsity, or some other group. Recently there were fliers that read, "The truth shall set you free," with a drawing of a man bound and blindfolded. It gave a meeting room and a day and time, but the club itself was quite secondary and almost hidden information.

I think a more honest approach to evangelism is to simply state who's meeting, when, where, and most importantly, why. Purpose should be the key to any club, not the number of its members. There are no laws that say you can't put up cryptic signs to gain attendance meetings, but I think in the case of Christian groups, they should see if what they're doing indeed emulates the virtues of the religion they subscribe to.

Respectfully,

Isaac Grambo

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## Eagles remain best in the Big Sky

Ian Klei  
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The Eagles' men's basketball team found themselves in sole possession of first place in the Big Sky Conference after their fourth and fifth straight victories last weekend at Reese Court, despite unusually poor play.

"Last week we really did not play very well. That's probably as poorly as we've played since Christmas," said head coach Steve Aggers.

Aggers says the poor game play was because of the team's mental state, as well as a decline in the energy level during the game. "We got a nice wake-up call, but now we have to get back to our usual energy level," said Aggers. "Fortunately, we were able to get that wake-up call without losing."

Eastern was at home Thursday night as they took Big Sky Conference rivals Idaho State 87-64, with five Eagles scoring in double figures, and Will Levy adding 12 rebounds.

Eastern's Aaron Olson was the game's leading scorer with 18 points. Kareem Hunter scored 10 and grabbed 11 rebounds. Chris White added 11 points in only 17 minutes of play, while Deon Williams shot 12, and Ryan Hansen added 13.

Chris White also blocked a key shot, that tied him with Austin Layton for the Eastern Washington University career blocked shots record with 59.

Eastern then faced Cal State Sacramento at Reese Court Saturday night. They survived a scare in the second half but were able to pull away with a 74-67 win, their fifth straight.

Ryan Hansen led the Eagles, scoring a game high 20 points on 8 of 15 shooting. Deon Williams was the only other Eagle to score in double figures with 12, and Chris White had a good night on the boards hustling for 11 rebounds.

This weekend the Eagles' play their last two Conference road games at Cal State Northridge on Thursday and at Northern Arizona University on Saturday.

"These are both two very tough teams on the road. They're hard places to play," said Aggers.

"We're happy to be where we're at, we're fighting for the league championship and the right to host the conference tournament," Aggers said. "There's a lot on the line and these are going to be two big weeks for this program."

## This week's games

EWU (10-2, 13-9) at Cal Northridge (7-5, 15-8)

Thursday, 7:05 p.m. (KEWU-88.5 FM)



EWU: The Eagles embark on their final roadtrip of the season and it won't be an easy one. Northern Arizona and Cal Northridge are the only other Big Sky Conference teams to be undefeated at home in league play this season. In their first meeting this season the Eagles out-rebounded the Hornets by 16.

CSN: The Matadors have won all nine of their home games this season, but have struggled as of late against the Eagles, dropping five of the last six meetings between the squads. Northridge is heading into the contest off of a 24-point victory, their largest margin of the season, at Montana State.



EWU (10-2, 13-9) at Northern Arizona (8-4, 14-9)

Saturday, 7:05 p.m. (KEWU - 88.5 FM)



EWU: Eastern has not historically fared well against the Lumberjacks, dropping eight of their past nine contests. With a sweep this weekend, EWU would clinch at least a tie for first place in the Big Sky Conference.

NAU: The league's hottest team, the Lumberjacks are on an eight-game winning streak and will no doubt

look to pound the ball inside to 7-foot center Dan McClintock. McClintock was named Big Sky Player of the Week for the third time last week, after averaging 20.5 points and 9.5 rebounds per game.



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▲ Deon Williams on the fast break.

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## Lady Eagles face uphill battle for Big Sky Conference Tournament berth

Tom Fox  
Easterner Reporter

Just when it seemed that the Eagles (8-14, 4-8) were on track to clinching a spot for playoffs, they were offset once again last week with two losses which knocked them down to a tie of seventh place in the Big Sky Conference with Cal State Sacramento.

Portland State currently holds onto the final playoff spot with the sixth best record in the conference.

Eastern will try to bounce back from last week's losses to Idaho State, 72-55, and their four-point loss to the Hornets of Cal State Sacramento, 67-63.

Fortunately for the Eagles they are home for their next two contests. Eastern and Cal State Northridge (14-8, 8-4) square off tonight at Reese Court at 7 p.m.

Saturday the Eagles will take on the visiting Lumberjacks of Northern Arizona (10-14, 6-6) game time is 7:05 p.m. at Reese Ct.

Head coach Jocelyn Pfeifer said, "We play much better at home. It's been awhile since we played at home so hopefully we can take advantage of our home court fans and play well."

Eastern plays considerably better at home than on the road, with records of 3-3 and 1-5 respectively.

"Northridge swept last week at home so they are coming in with a lot of confidence and we are going to have to play well," said Pfeifer, "we are going to have to take care of the basketball because they are going to pressure us for 90 feet."

The tight coverage of the Matadors won't be the only pressure that the Eagles will have to deal with this week.

If Eastern drops both of the next two contests they will be staying home when the Big Sky Conference Championship Tournament rolls around on March 9.

In last weeks losses, poor shooting once again by the Eagles factored into a two defeats for the team.

Feb. 17 the 72-55 schlack that that the Bengals of Idaho State handed Eastern was their seventh loss in conference play and second this season to Idaho State.

In their earlier meeting on Jan. 7 Idaho State handed Eastern an 83-62 defeat at Reese Ct.

The story was the same in both games as Eastern was unable to score.

In their recent meeting Idaho State showed aggression with the 17-0 scoring run that they broke out of the gates with in the opening minutes of the first half.

Eastern played catch up for all but the first two minutes of the game when they lead 4-0. The rest of the game the Bengals dominated and the Eagles could not close with in ten points of the controlling Idaho State team.

Chris Urbanski of Idaho State led all scorers with 26 points in the win. Eastern's Julie-Moore again posted good numbers with her team high 14 points on 7 of 13 shooting in the loss.

It is tough to rebound after a blowout loss like the Eagles had against Idaho State, but the team lost a closer match up in Sacramento on Feb. 19, 67-63.

The sloppily played game involved 30 turnovers by Eastern and 23 by Cal State Sacramento.

The numerous turnovers led to Eastern once again falling behind by a great margin at half time, 41-31. Pfeifer said, "We struggled offensively in both games. We didn't take care of the basketball and had too many turnovers."

Even though they were down by ten, the Eagles did not give into the Hornets and Eastern and Freshman Janelle Ruen dominated the second half.

Ruen scored a season high 17 points on the night with five coming in a run when Eastern took their first lead since early on in the first half.

From that point on the game turned into a seesaw match with Sacramento standout Sephora Scoubes leading the way for the Hornets with her 21 points. Scoubes led all scorers and in the process connected on some key jump shots down the stretch to give her team the narrow four-point victory.

With the win the Hornets tied Eastern for seventh place in the Big Sky with a record of 4-8 in conference play.



## This week's games

Cal Northridge (8-4, 14-8) at EWU (4-8, 8-14)  
Thursday, 7:05 p.m., Reese Court



CSN: The game will mark the beginning of a four-game roadtrip for the Matadors, who are currently one-and-a-half games out of first place. Northridge is 2-8 in games they trail at the half, but an impressive 12-0 when leading at the intermission.

EWU: The first of two pivotal games for Eastern if they wish to qualify for the Big Sky playoffs, the Eagles must attack pound the boards if they are to pull off the upset. EWU is 7-4 in games they've outrebounded the opposition, but only 1-10 when they are beaten on the boards.



Northern Arizona (6-6, 10-14) at EWU (4-8, 8-14)  
Saturday, 7:05 p.m., Reese Court



NAU: The Lumberjacks have struggled on the road this season, going 1-3 in conference games and 2-7 overall. Sophomore Anna Sterling set the school's single-season blocks record Saturday against Montana. NAU is 7-0 in games in which they have scored 65 or more points.

EWU: The Eagles enter the week trailing Portland State for the sixth and final playoff spot by one game. The two teams both play NAU and CSN this week in contests that will go quite a ways in determining the tournament entrants.



## Big Sky Women's Standings

	Big Sky Games					All Games						
	W	L	Pct	Home	Away	W	L	Pct	Home	Away	Net	Streak
Montana	10	3	.769	5-0	5-3	17	7	.708	10-2	7-5	0-0	L2
Idaho State	10	4	.714	5-1	5-3	12	13	.480	7-4	5-8	0-1	W3
Cal State Northridge	8	4	.667	6-2	2-2	14	8	.636	10-3	3-4	1-1	W2
Weber State	7	5	.583	5-1	2-4	10	13	.435	7-4	3-8	0-1	W2
Northern Arizona	6	6	.500	5-3	1-3	10	14	.417	8-6	2-7	0-1	W3
Portland State	5	7	.417	3-3	2-4	7	16	.304	4-7	3-7	0-2	L3
Eastern Washington	4	8	.333	3-3	1-5	8	14	.364	6-4	1-9	1-1	L2
Cal State Sacramento	4	8	.333	4-2	0-6	6	17	.261	6-4	0-11	0-2	W2
Montana State	2	11	.154	2-3	0-8	6	18	.250	5-7	1-11	0-0	L3



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#2	CONZAGA UNIVERSITY	2	1
#3	UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA	1	2
#4	PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY	0	3

## EASTERN WASHINGTON 4 • CONZAGA 3

## Singles

EWU		
#1 Shane Stiner	Won	6-3, 6-4
#2 Dean Kimoto	Won	6-2, 6-3
#3 Ryan Moran	Won	6-4, 6-1

## Doubles

#1 Kimoto/Moran	Won	8-6
#3 Theron Tate/ Toyozo Sadamatsu	Won	9-7

Note: Must win 2 out of the 3 doubles matches to win 1 point.

## EASTERN WASHINGTON 5 • ALBERTA 2

## Singles

EWU		
#1 Shane Stiner	Won	6-3, 6-3
#2 Dean Kimoto	Won	7-6, 6-3
#3 Ryan Moran	Won	6-4, 6-4
#4 John Gruber	Won	6-3, 7-6

## Doubles

#1 Kimoto/Moran	Won	8-2
#2 Stiner/Gruber	Won	9-7
#3 Tate/Sadamatsu	Won	9-8

## EASTERN WASHINGTON 7 • PORTLAND STATE 0

## Singles

EWU		
#1 Shane Stiner	Won	6-0, 6-0
#2 Dean Kimoto	Won	6-1, 6-1
#3 Ryan Moran	Won	6-2, 6-1
#4 John Gruber	Won	6-3, 6-3
#5 Theron Tate	Won	6-0, 6-2
#6 Toyo Sadamatsu	Won	6-4, 6-2

## Doubles

#1 Kimoto/Moran	Won	8-3
#2 Stiner/Gruber	Won	8-3
#3 Tate/Sadamatsu	Won	8-2

## Northridge to bolt from Big Sky

Tom Fox  
Eastern Reporter

California State Northridge University announced Feb. 9 to Big Sky Conference officials in Ogden, Utah that they have accepted an invitation to join the Big West Conference effective July 2001.

The announcement was expected after Cal State Northridge had submitted a letter to the Big Sky Conference officials three months ago informing the conference of the university's intentions.

Big Sky Conference Commissioner Doug Fullerton said, "We have been involved from the beginning in the discussions between Northridge and the Big West."

Fullerton and the rest of the Big Sky officials have been trying to work with Cal State Northridge to come to a compromise that will work for both sides.

Four years ago Cal State Northridge, Cal State Sacramento and Portland State all became members of the Big Sky conference when the University of Idaho and Boise State left the Big Sky for the Big West Conference.

Cal State Northridge had signed a memorandum of understanding with the Big Sky Conference that by July 1, it would have in place a men's tennis program and at least an acceptable option for an improved football stadium.

Ron Loghry, Big Sky Conference chief of staff, said, "They agreed to add a men's tennis team, and every year that they did not, they were given an extension to do so the next year. If they did not have a team for next year they would be forced into finding another conference to belong to."

In addition to Cal State Northridge neglecting to add a men's tennis team, Big Sky presidents were not satisfied with their current football stadium.

Fullerton said, "As Commissioner, I have a primary

responsibility to the Big Sky and its health, but I also have an obligation to help each institution do what is right for its respective programs."

Cal State Northridge's will continue to be part of the Big Sky Conference until July 2001.

From the time a conference member submits a letter for their removal, that member has the obligation to remain in that conference for one full year.

"For us we found that geographically to be in the Big West just made more sense," said Cal State Northridge Athletic Director Richard Dull, "the Big West is predominately a California conference and travel will be much better on our teams."

The Big West will no longer offer football as one of their sports. "We will still have the opportunity to continue to play football independently and we will have more control with who we play with out a conference controlling our schedule," said Dull.

The Big West Conference is leaning towards becoming a California based conference similar to the West Coast Conference, which doesn't compete in football, rather they focus on basketball and baseball.

Loghry said, "The league right now is very satisfied with the eight members that we have and we are not looking for a replacement for Northridge." However, Southern Utah University has contacted the conference with their interest.

The Cal State Northridge's change was well understood. "Although we hate to lose the Matadors as a conference member, I understand completely their decision to join the Big West," Fullerton said. "This alignment makes sense for Northridge, the new Big West Conference and college athletics in general, and we wish them the best in their new affiliation."

"We are not unhappy with the Big Sky, but the Big West will work to our advantage," said Dull.

## Martin's contract not renewed

The contract for Eastern Washington University women's soccer coach Jennifer Martin will not be renewed for the 2000-2001 fiscal year, EWU athletic director Scott Barnes has announced.

Barnes said Martin will be assigned other duties in the department until the conclusion of her current contract on June 30. He hopes to name Martin's successor as soon as possible.

Martin has been the only soccer coach in the three-year history of Eastern's women's program. Eastern was 9-36-3 overall and 3-11 in the Big Sky Conference with Martin at the helm. Eastern was 5-4-3 her first season, then went 3-15 overall and 3-4 in conference play in 1998 to qualify for the four-team Big Sky Conference Tournament. Last fall the Eagles were 1-17, with the lone victory a 2-0 win over Gonzaga on Sept. 29.

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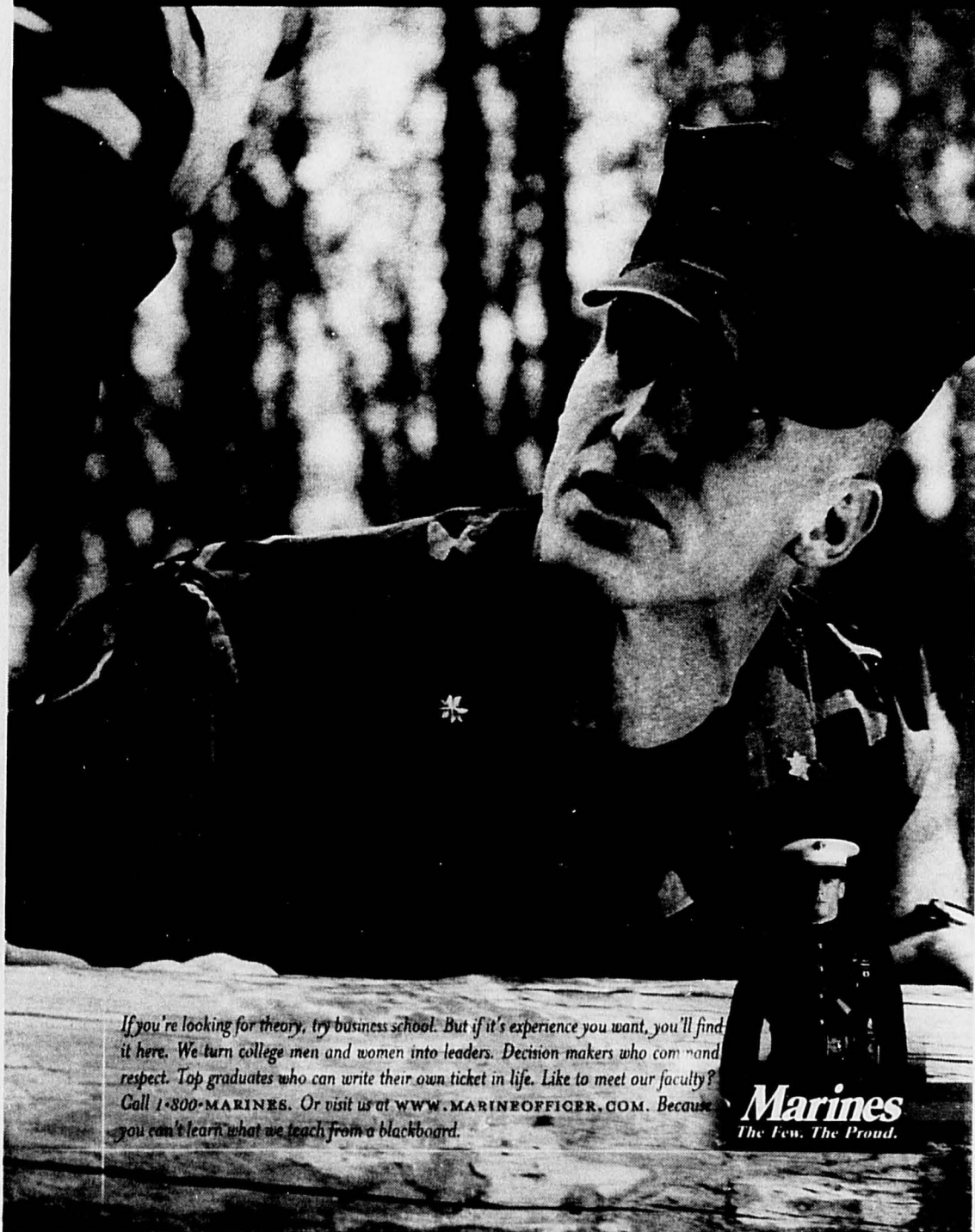
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